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Rail Link Project
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have conducted any study regarding safety related aspects of Katra-Banihal Rail Link Project;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the names of other projects with regard to study for safety related aspects has been conducted by the Railways ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): Safety is the prime parameter in construction of any railway project. Depending on the nature, complexity and scope of work, safety aspects are examined at various levels. For simple type of projects in plain areas, the safety issues are examined by zonal railways. RDSO is consulted in case of any complexity involved. However, in very complex projects like Katra-Banihal Rail Link, a multi-tier study about safety is done by engaging consultants of national and international repute.

In Katra-Banihal section, various institutes and consultants of national and international repute have been engaged to study safety related aspects which include Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)/Delhi, IIT/Roorke, Indian Institute of Science/Bengaluru, M/s Geodata SPA Italy, M/s Amberg Engineering/Switzerland, M/s. Lombardi M/s SNC Lavalin Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd/Switzerland, M/s Bernard inGenieure/Austria, ITASCA/USA, etc.
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